

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

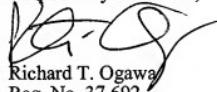
In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed March 6, 2007, claims 12-22 have been canceled. Claims 1-11 and 23-44 remain pending in this application. No amendments have been made to the claims that remain pending.

**CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

Respectfully submitted,



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